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Re:

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Inventor:

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1875.4880001

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Copy of Notice To File Corrected Application Papers dated May 20, 2004;
- 2. Letter to PTO Draftsman: Submission of Formal Drawings;
- 3. SIX (6) sheets of formal drawings containing Figures 1-6;
- 4. Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b);
- 5. Power Of Attorney From Assignee; and
- 6. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Letter to PTO Draftsman: Submission of Formal Drawings

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Submitted herewith are SIX (6) sheets of formal drawings with Figure(s) 1-6, corresponding to the informal drawing(s) submitted with the above-captioned application. Identification of the drawing(s) is provided in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(c). Acknowledgment of the receipt, approval, and entry of these formal drawing(s) into this application is respectfully requested.

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
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